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Applicant: POMMIER, Francois  
Appl. No.: 09/763,445  
Int'l Filing Date: 02/22/2001  
Title: Method And Installation For Automatically Cutting And Removing Stacks  
Of Pieces In A Web Of Sheet Material  
Atty. Docket No.: 041206.024

The correspondence includes the following documents:

1. \$126.00 Check;
2. Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) Concerning a Filing Under 35 U.S.C. 371 (2 pages, in duplicate);
3. Response to Notice of Acceptance of Application (1 page);
4. Copy of Notice of Acceptance of Application (2 pages);
5. Certificate of Mailing Under 37 CFR §1.10 (1 page); and
6. Return Receipt Postcard.

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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES  
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)  
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

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U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5)

.09/763,445

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.  
PCT/FR00/01693INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE  
20 June 2000 (20.06.2000)PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED  
21 June 1999 (21.06.1999)

## TITLE OF INVENTION

**METHOD AND INSTALLATION FOR AUTOMATICALLY CUTTING AND REMOVING STACKS OF PIECES IN A WEB OF SHEET MATERIAL**

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US

**POMMIER, Francois**

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☐ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☒ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☐ This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
4. ☐ The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (Article 31).
5. ☐ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☐ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☐ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
  - a. ☐ is attached hereto.
  - b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
7. ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
  - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

**Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:**

11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☐ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
15. ☐ A substitute specification.
16. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
17. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821 - 1.825.
18. ☐ A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
19. ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
20. ☒ Other items or information:
  - a. \$126.00 Check;
  - b. Response to Notice of Acceptance of Application;
  - c. Copy of Notice of Acceptance of Application;
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  - e. Return Receipt Postcard.



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	POMMIER, Francois	)	
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Serial No.:	09/763,445	)	Group Art Unit: 1490
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Filing Date:	February 22, 2001	)	Examiner: TBA
		)	
For:	Method and Installation For	)	
	Automatically Cutting And	)	
	Removing Stacks Of Pieces In	)	
	A Web Of Sheet Material	)	

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION**  
**UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 AND 37 CFR 1.494 OR 1.495**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Response to Notice Of Acceptance Of Application Under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495, mailed August 7, 2002, Applicant files herewith the following documents relating to the above-identified application:

- (1) A copy of the Notice of Acceptance of Application;
- (2) Certificate of Mailing Under 37 CFR § 1.10; and
- (3) A check in the amount of \$126.00 in payment of the additional claim fees.

Please charge any additional fees which may be necessary to Deposit Account No. 02-4300 and credit any overpayment to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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09/763,445	Francois Pommier	041206.024

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I.A. FILING DATE	PRIORITY DATE
06/20/2000	06/21/1999

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CONFIRMATION NO. 6242

371 ACCEPTANCE LETTER



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Date Mailed: 08/07/2002

### NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C 371 AND 37 CFR 1.494 OR 1.495

The applicant is hereby advised that the United States Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as a Designated Office (37 CFR 1.494) , has determined that the above identified international application has met the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371, and is ACCEPTED for national patentability examination in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

The United States Application Number assigned to the application is shown above and the relevant dates are:

<u>02/22/2001</u>	<u>02/22/2001</u>
DATE OF RECEIPT OF 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) REQUIREMENTS	DATE OF RECEIPT OF ALL 35 U.S.C. REQUIREMENTS

A Filing Receipt (PTO-103X) will be issued for the present application in due course. **THE DATE APPEARING ON THE FILING RECEIPT AS THE " FILING DATE" IS THE DATE ON WHICH THE LAST OF THE 35 U.S.C. 371 REQUIREMENTS HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE. THIS DATE IS SHOWN ABOVE.** *The filing date of the above identified application is the international filing date of the international application (Article 11(3) and 35 U.S.C. 363).* Once the Filing Receipt has been received, send all correspondence to the Group Art Unit designated thereon.

The following items have been received:

- U.S. Basic National Fee
- Assignee Statement
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Information Disclosure Statements
- Oath or Declaration
- Preliminary Amendments
- Request for Immediate Examination

The following defects have been observed:

- Additional claim fees of \$126 as a large entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fee(s) for this application is \$126 for a large entity.

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is **\$126**
  - \$126 for total claims over 20.

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Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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